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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(17), to include as a premier type tourist resort a facility with golf course, swimming pool, tennis courts and clubhouse; and to authorize such facility to grant franchises to operate food and beverage services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(17), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

(L) A commercially or privately operated recreational facility containing all of the following characteristics:

(i) The facility is located within a platted housing subdivision of not less than four hundred (400) acres nor greater than five hundred twenty-five (525) acres.

(ii) The facility is located on or adjacent to an eighteen (18) hole golf course located within the development.

(iii) The facility is located within a development that operates a recreational swimming pool of at least sixty thousand (60,000) gallons.

(iv) The facility operates and maintains tennis courts for use by homeowners, visitors, tourists, or guests.

(v) The facility operates a clubhouse for the use of homeowners, visitors, tourists, or guests of at least five thousand total square feet (5,000') and the clubhouse houses a restaurant with seating at tables for at least forty (40) people and such restaurant has adequate kitchen facilities.

(vi) The facility is located within a county with a population of not less than thirty-nine thousand fifty (39,050) nor more than thirty-nine thousand one hundred fifty (39,150) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

(vii) The facility shall have been providing some or all of the described recreational services for a continuous period of at least four (4) years at the time of licensing.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(17), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

(M) An entity granted a franchise for the operation of a restaurant or food and beverage services on the premises of the premier type tourist resort, and for such purposes a premier type tourist resort shall have the privilege of granting such franchises.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.